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Dear Dick:

Our efforts to answer recent informal inquiries, including some from the White House Staff, have revealed that, though CIA and the FBI have detailed records concerning Americans who have been recruited as intelligence agents by Bloc countries, there does not appear to be a complete listing of those Americans now living in Bloc countries who might be called "defectors". Using the definitions of DCID 4/2, these persons might be described as those who have either been capable of providing useful intelligence to the Bloc or those whose desire to resettle in Bloc countries has been significantly exploited for communist propaganda purposes. This would mean that no attention need be paid to Americans whose resettlement within the Bloc had no counter-intelligence implications or had attracted no particular attention; for instance, this definition would not cover individual US citizens of East European or Chinese origin who returned to the "homeland" because they had never been completely assimilated into the American society.

There is attached a list of such persons, covering the last 18 months, and it would be appreciated if the Agency could verify and possibly expand this list for the use of interested Bureaus of the Department.

Sincerely yours,

Hugh S. Cumming, Jr.

Attachment:

List of American "Defectors"
from May 1959 - October 1960.

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LIST OF AMERICAN "DEFECTORS"

1.) Morris and Mollie BLOCK, living in the USSR, and possibly Communist China, since the fall of 1959.

2.) David DuBOIS (aka DUPEBOY), living in Peiping since May 1960, but may have returned to the U.S.

3.) Sgt. Joseph DUTKANICZ, U.S. Army, defected to East German Forces about the spring of 1960.

4.) Sgt. Ernie F. FLETCHER, U.S. Army, defected to East German Forces in June 1959 and stated that he wished to remain in East Germany at a confrontation held on August 5, 1959 (CINCUSAREUR telegram SX 5307 of 0617Z42 August).

5.) Sgt. (fnu) JONES, U.S. Air Force, defected in mid May 1960 to East German Forces (Air Intelligence Information Report number 1430223 of August 9, 1960.)

6.) William MARTIN, NSA employee.

7.) Bernon MITCHELL, NSA employee.

8.) Lee Harvey OSWALD, tourist.

9.) Libero RICCIARDELLI, tourist.

10.) Pvt. Vladimir SLOBODA, U.S. Army, defected to East German Forces in the spring of 1960.

11.) Robert Edward WEBSTER, tourist, (see New York Times article of October 20, 1959).

12.) Bruce Frederick DAVIS, U.S. Army, defected to East German Forces, August 19, 1960 (Embassy Moscow telegram 1032 of October 22, 1960).

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